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Applicant: Master, et al.

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Title: APPARATUS, METHOD, SYSTEM AND EXECUTABLE MODULE FOR CONFIGURATION AND OPERATION OF ADAPTIVE INTEGRATED CIRCUITRY HAVING FIXED, APPLICATION SPECIFIC COMPUTATIONAL ELEMENTS.

To: Director of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir or Madam:

In advance of the first office action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification in accordance to the below changes. A marked up version of the changes is attached hereto.

On Page 1, starting on line 22, please replace the paragraph with the following:

This application is related to Paul L. Master et al., U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/997,530, entitled "Apparatus, System And Method For Configuration Of Adaptive Integrated Circuitry Having Fixed, Application Specific Computational Elements", filed November 30, 2001, commonly assigned to QuickSilver Technology, Inc., and incorporated by reference herein, with priority claimed for all commonly disclosed subject matter (the "second related application").

On Page 12, starting on line 5, please replace the paragraph with the following:

For purposes of explanation and not limitation, the various systems of the present invention, as illustrated in Figure 2, include: system 11 (ACE 100 of wireline device 35 with configuration information or modules 70 in FLASH 10); system 16 (ACE 100 of wireless device 30 with configuration information or modules 70 in silverware storage